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Today's Topics:

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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Thu, 1 Apr 1993 11:19:58 MST
From: cs.ubc.ca!alberta!adec23!ve6mgs!usenet@beaver.cs.washington.edu
Subject: ARRL DXCC Desk Stats 3/21/93
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Msg #5113 From: WB1HBB Date: 31-Mar 1828Z Subj: DXCC Desk Stats 3/21/93

DXCC Desk Stats:

	Processed		Backlog	
	Cards	Applications	Cards	Applications
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12/11/92	14,103	152	244,372	3,336
12/20/92	14,774	183	237,226	3,252
12/28/92	9,409	119	233,751	3,209

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!!BEGIN!! (1.0) S.T.D. Solar Geophysical Data Broadcast for DAY 091, 04/01/93
10.7 FLUX=123.6  90-AVG=133          SSN=110          BKI=2321 1223  BAI=008
BGND-XRAY=B1.7    FLU1=4.1E+05  FLU10=1.1E+04  PKI=2332 2222  PAI=008
    BOU-DEV=010,020,015,009,008,011,010,024  DEV-AVG=013 NT    SWF=00:000
    XRAY-MAX= C3.9    @ 0434UT    XRAY-MIN= B1.0    @ 0803UT    XRAY-AVG= B3.6
NEUTN-MAX= +002%    @ 0935UT    NEUTN-MIN= -003%    @ 0240UT    NEUTN-AVG= -0.4%
    PCA-MAX= +0.1DB @ 2355UT    PCA-MIN= -0.3DB @ 0045UT    PCA-AVG= +0.0DB
BOUTF-MAX=55434NT @ 1004UT    BOUTF-MIN=55375NT @ 1833UT    BOUTF-AVG=55395NT

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GOES7-MAX=P:+104NT@ 1911UT GOES7-MIN=N:-003NT@ 0715UT G7-AVG=+075,+040,+009
GOES6-MAX=P:+119NT@ 1800UT GOES6-MIN=N:-099NT@ 0524UT G6-AVG=+088,-006,-051
FLUXFCST=STD:130,130,125;SESC:130,130,125 BAI/PAI-FCST=010,010,015/010,015,015
KFCST=2223 3322 2233 3222 27DAY-AP=006,009 27DAY-KP=3122 2112 2133 2322
WARNINGS=*SWF
ALERTS=
!!END-DATA!!

NOTE: The Effective Sunspot Number for 31 MAR 93 was 73.0.

Date: Fri, 2 Apr 1993 09:11:19 GMT
From: mcsun!dxcern!frode@uunet.uu.net
Subject: ICOM IC-W2A Power Connector
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Recently somebody were looking for the special power connector
for the IC-W2. A friend of mine is going over to US next week
and I would like him to get me a few of these connectors. I
think the price mentioned was \$ 7, but does anybody know the
part number?

73 de Frode, F/LA2RL

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Date: Fri, 2 Apr 1993 03:26:41 GMT
From: dry.Princeton.EDU!chinatti@princeton.edu
Subject: Question on programming Motorola radios
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I was wondering if anyone is familiar with the details of how the
Motorola programming hardware works. I know that it is some kind of
adaptation of the RS-232 interface, but I am curious as to the details
of how the data is interchanged. Are there any experts out there?
I'd be very interested in hearing from anyone knowledgable on the
subject.

Thanks in advance,
Steve

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Date: Fri, 2 Apr 1993 03:27:29 GMT
From: usc!zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!uwm.edu!linac!att!att-out!cbfsb!
cbnewsb.cb.att.com!wa2ise@network.UCSD.EDU
Subject: Request: Modification instructions for Radio Shack HTX-202.
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

There are none.

Date: 2 Apr 93 06:06:54 GMT
From: rtech!amdahl!amdahl!ikluft@decwrl.dec.com
Subject: RFD: rec.radio.amateur reorganization [discussion summary 3/31]
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

andyw@aspen32.cray.com (Andy Warner) writes:
>In article <efB803hDceof00@amdahl.uts.amdahl.com>, ikluft@uts.amdahl.com (Ian
Kluft) writes:
>> Tally so far: 13 in favor, 7 opposed, 8 unclear or undecided
>> Several of the "in favor" messages included modifications to the RFD which may
>> or may not be conditional. So this number represents 13 in favor of a split
>> but not necessarily for the exact proposal in the RFD.

>So, what you're saying is that a grand total of 28 people have expressed
>an opinion and less than half of those were obviously for it ?

Yes. When you ask people to do something out of the ordinary (like go all
the way to news.groups and post something), don't expect everyone to jump to
it. It just wouldn't be realistic. So the fact that those in favor
outnumbered the opposition like that is plenty of reason to continue with the
effort. It may be even more important that the opposition didn't even
outnumber the undecided's... but that wasn't by a significant margin.

Of those 28 people, many or most of them posted more than one article. I
narrowed it down to the number of people because the article counts alone
were skewed much more in favor of the RFD. People would surely have
complained if that was what I had based the tally on. (Actually, someone
complained anyway. Oh well, it's UseNet - that's what you have to expect. :-)

Hmmm... from the whole RFD experience, I can derive this:

Kluft's Laws of UseNet:

1. You can't please everyone
2. You can't get everything you want
3. You can't even escape unflamed

:-) :-) simleys required here :-) I've been pleasantly surprised that no one has flamed me yet.

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Date: Fri, 2 Apr 1993 07:45:51 GMT
From: pacbell.com!unet!loren!larson@network.UCSD.EDU
Subject: RFD [rec.radio.amateur reorg]
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I would suggest rather strongly against the re-organization.

We don't need more cross posting, and more complications for gatewaying to info-hams (or whatever it is nowadays).

We do need some more sanity in using the list, perhaps, but the finer divisions just provide more places to miss the article that would have been interesting, if we had happened across it.

Alan

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Date: Thu, 1 Apr 1993 19:42:58 GMT
From: usc!zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!uwm.edu!linac!att!att-out!cbnews1!
dara@network.UCSD.EDU
Subject: Soldering Brass rod to SO-239? HELP?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <Pine.3.05.9303311336.A29570-a1000000@engr.engr.uark.edu>,
jfb2@engr.engr.uark.edu (Frank Buercklin) writes:
> I am constructing a 2m and 70cm ground plane for use with my HT and I am
> having problems getting the solder to stick to either the brass brazing
> rod that I'm using for all of the elements or the SO-239 connector that I
> am soldering the rod to. Does anyone have a clue as to how to make that

> solder stick to either of them? (The plans I am using call for solid wire
> solder and seperate flux) Do I need to use Acid flux instead of Rosin Flux?
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> Thanx in advance for any suggestions. Send Replies via e-mail to:
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> jfb2@engr.uark.edu
>
> Frank Buercklin
> <KB5WAR>
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There are most likely a number of ways to solder to brass, I do so with a zinc chloride based acid solder. I have mixed my own from zinc chloride crystals but now I use a product called "Duzall Flux" from ALL State welding products in Taneytown, Md (div of Alloy Rods, Inc.) It's best to use a solder that does not already contain rosin flux. Use the acid solder very sparingly and afterwards wash everything VERY THOROUGHLY with warm soapy water. If you are not confident about be able to thoroughly wash out the acid, DON'T USE IT. I have not had any corosion problems but I would never apply this method to any electronic equipment. (NO Execptions!!!) Now, this posting will bring out lot's of "acid" comments so just sit back and enjoy the coming "discusions".
Shel dara@physics.att.com

Date: Fri, 2 Apr 1993 06:31:49 GMT
From: sdd.hp.com!zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!darwin.sura.net!bogus.sura.net!news-feed-1.peachnet.edu!umn.edu!csus.edu!netcom.com!jfh@network.UCSD.EDU
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <1993Apr1.100252.692@cho006.cho.ge.com>, <91021@hydra.gatech.EDU>,
<1993Apr1.225613.21494@inmet.camb.inmet.com>
Subject : Re: Callsign processing time

Mine arrived in the mail today (KD6TTL). I took the test on January 31.
The license is dated March 23.

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Date: 2 Apr 93 05:22:19 GMT

From: rtech!amdahl!amdahl!ikluft@decwrl.dec.com
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <9303311223.AA05848@NADC.NADC.NAVY.MIL>,
<e0En03Gxcevj00@amdahl.uts.amdahl.com>, <cole.124.733692506@soldev.tti.com>
Subject : Re: RFD [rec.radio.amateur reorg]

cole@soldev.tti.com (Randy Cole) writes:

>Please record that I'm adamantly opposed to the proposed reorganization.
>It strikes me as nit-picky. The mind boggles at the number of possible
>crossposts which would result. If we want a general discussion group
>with a large, varied audience we're just going to have to live with
>some jerks, flamers, and un-ending topics. It's a small price to pay.

Such a pessimistic view of the world... Things can work much better than that. In rec.aviation.*, which was reorganized last Summer, my news spool shows 13 newsgroups with 336 files (5-day retention.) Of those, 41 are cross-posted between more than one rec.aviation subgroup. Most of those seem to be from an attempt to find the most appropriate groups for the topic. Only 26 of those even include rec.aviation.misc in the cross-posting.

That sure doesn't seem like an epidemic of cross-posting. Considering that rec.aviation before its reorg was very much like rec.radio.amateur.misc today (including traffic volume and attached mail lists) I really don't think it's going to be a problem.

So, if we *do* split rec.radio.amateur, we'll have several other groups with better signal-to-noise ratios, making a much more enjoyable environment for Hams, considers what varied interests we tend to have.

It CAN work... just look at where it has worked.

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